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SUBJECT: POLITICAL FUTURE OF JOHN ZIGDIS

1. AFTER DESCRIBING HIM AS CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND AS WELL AS FORMER CU ASSOCIATE, FOREIGN MINISTER MAVROS TOLD ME THAT ZIGDIS PRESENTED REAL PROBLEM. ZIGDIS WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN KRAMANLIS GOVERNMENT, BUT THIS WAS IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE ARMY WOULD NOT HAVE GONE ALONG SINCE IT CONTINUED TO FEEL "INSULTED" BY REMARKS ZIGDIS HAD MADE EARLIER THIS YEAR TO FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE OF HFAC CONCERNING CONDITIONS IN GREEK MILITARY. ZIGDIS WOULD RETURN TO GREECE AUGUST 3, MAVROS SAID, AND PLANNED TO GO DIRECTLY TO RHODES. MAVROS BELIEVED HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY START TO ATTACK CARAMANLIS GOVERNMENT WHICH WAS IN HIS VIEW GREAT MISTAKE FOR ZIGDIS SINCE PRESENT REGIME WAS IN NO SENSE PARTY GOVERNMENT. HE INTENDED TO TRY TO PERSUADE ZIGDIS TO TAKE A MORE REASONABLE STANCE, AS ILIOU, WHO HAD A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF PRESENT STATE OF PLYA, HAD DONE. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE ADDED THAT ILIOU ALSO WOULD HAVE LIKED TO BE INCLUDED IN GOVERNMENT, BUT HERE AGAIN IDEA OF INCLUDING LEFT IN GOVERNMENT WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO GREEK ARMY. TASCA

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